

To us in New England, having a laudable desire

the principles of the means of those who go out to other localities, it was a source of regret to many for a long time did see on missionary grounds in the West, the same Congregational made more use by the radicalism and errors of many countries, and especially of those, who, like the Quaker school, took it up as a means of operating against the truth held by the Presbyterian church. That even at the West has now greatly diminished, and Congregationalism is better appreciated. And in the East, like especially in New York, Quakerism, we doubt not that time will apply its corrective.

New York, the Present and the Past

In one respect, at least, there has been a decided improvement of the irreligious portion of the population of that city. The religious portion of the population of that city has, at least in its way it was

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them at that time, were two disciples of the in-

had been Paine's executor and the printer of his works; and the other was a friend of Paine on whose mantle had fallen. Those and other kind spirits had been in the habit of celebrating Paine's birth day every year. They were men of strong minds, coarse and violent passions, and had great influence in controlling the passions of an infidel population. They were, in fact, the leaders of that interest in

city in their day, and they both have since died the alshouse. These men seized upon this case prosecution for a breach of the Sunday laws, and dertock to draw out the united force of the irrel of the whole city to abolish those laws, expecting that matter a great triumph for infidelity.

Accordingly, the newspapers were filled with sionate appeals to the public against the laws.

lie meetings of infidels were called at Tannu Hall. Violent and exciting speeches were made, a tide of popular feeling was rising high; and not to give it a broad extension, the meeting at Tannu Hall was adjourned to the Park, and the whole invited to attend. At the time appointed, a crowd assembled. Our informant being one of the aldermen, was on duty there as a magistrate to

the peace. He said that orders were given to policemen not to interfere, till there should be an absolute necessity, lest the evil should be aggravated by a cry of persecution. After the crowd was collected through some disagreement of the leaders, or want of previous preparation of the business, a time was spent without any organization of the meeting, and not a little confusion of the waiting

was apparent. At length a stranger, a large man with a stentorian voice, was seen entering the gate and making his way towards the steps of a city hall, crying out at every step, Make way! Make way! as if some very important person were coming. The crowd opened before him, and he passed up the steps and took an elevated position, and then he raised his voice so as to be heard by the assembled

wards, and said, "All persons take notice! This is now adjourned from this place, to meet immediately in the Masonic Hall." He then started in that direction, and was followed by the crowd; none of whom appeared to know him, but all supposed him to have spoken by authority from some source. Having quickened his pace, and made several turns in different streets, he escaped from the sight of the

following him, and was seen no more. The policeman, who from the nature of their business, always way to mark every countenance, never saw him before nor afterwards. The joke, for such it was, was completely successful. The crowd went in search of the meeting, and could not find it, and the policeman in the Park having thus been boxed, his disposition to return. The storm of popular rage that had been roused, ended in a joke at its expense.

The conjecture was, that this man appeared on a wager, that he could dissolve the meeting. Providence used him as a means of laying a which might have done great mischief. agency so simple, the imposing tragedy ended comely.

York at that time, may be also seen in the course taken by this party, when that well known conspiracy was formed against the Rev. Dr. Phillips. The dis-fidel party then undertook to overawe the conservative trial. The most exciting speeches touched the subject, were made by them in crowded meetings in Tammany Hall; and resolutions were passed and posted in the streets, to the effect that if the con-

In short, any one who has a distinct recollection of the state of things twenty years ago in the city of New York, can see that great as is the force of religion and infidelity in that city now, its tone and temper are very essentially changed; and civilization is in the same degree strengthened.

COLLEGIATE AND THEOLOGICAL
AUBURN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY. The exercises connected with this Institution took place on the 18th and 19th ult. The addresses were

The Trustees report legacies left during the year to the amount of \$14,000, which, when added to the amount of \$10,000 already received, will complete the endowment of every Professorship in the Institution, and increase the Permanent Scholarship Fund to more than \$20,000.

The sermon before the alumni, on Tuesday by Rev. William H. Spencer of Uruu, was an earnest, and in parts of it, a most eloquent setting forth of the duty of the church to employ her own strength and agency directly in the care of her own institutions. The speaking in the evening by the representatives of the Seminary Societies, and on Wednesday

by the members of the graduating class, was highly respectable character, showing clear the value of Professor Smith's labors in the ment of writing and speaking.

It appears by the statement appended to the catalogue, that "indigent students, intending sue a full Theological course, receive and fr Seminary funds to the extent of from six shil

SEMI-CENTENNIAL AT YALE COLLEGE. The Corporation of Yale College, at the last annual meeting, appointed the undersigned a committee to confer with the standing committee of the college and with them to make arrangements for celebrating the semi-centennial of the college.

Arrangements have accordingly been made for the opening of the College on Wednesday, the 14th day of August, next (the day preceding the commencement) to a festival in honor of the Alumni, benefactors and friends of the institution. In the name of the President and the Board of Trustees, and of the standing committee of the Alumni Association, we cordially invite you to be present.

mates of Yale College, in whatever faculty, have contributed to the funds of the institution of its departments, and the friends of the college, are hereby invited to assemble on the grounds, at half-past nine o'clock a. m., of the above mentioned, for the purpose of celebrating the jubilee of Yale.

of the last commencement, and the appointment of the committee for the ensuing year, an interesting meeting of the Alumni, a procession will be held to the Centre church, where, with appropriate services, a Historical Discourse will be delivered.

